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Sir:

This communication is responsive to the Non-Final Office Action dated July 31, 2003, concerning the above-referenced patent application.

A petition and fee for a one-month extension of time is being filed concurrently herewith, to make this filing timely.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this document.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 9 of this document.

Please amend the application as follows: